

# THE WEAK GALERKIN METHOD FOR EIGENVALUE PROBLEMS

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**Abstract.** This article is devoted to computing the eigenvalue of the Laplace eigenvalue problem by the weak Galerkin (WG) finite element method with emphasis on obtaining lower bounds. The WG method is on the use of weak functions and their weak derivatives defined as distributions. Weak functions and weak derivatives can be approximated by polynomials with various degrees. Different combination of polynomial spaces leads to different WG finite element methods, which makes WG methods highly flexible and efficient in practical computation. We establish the optimal-order error estimates for the WG finite element approximation for the eigenvalue problem. Comparing with the classical nonconforming finite element method which can just provide lower bound approximation by linear elements with only the second order convergence, the WG methods can naturally provide lower bound approximation with a high order convergence (larger than 2). Some numerical results are also presented to demonstrate the efficiency of our theoretical results.

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**1. Introduction.** The study of eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of partial differential operators both in theoretical and approximation grounds is very important in many fields of sciences, such as quantum mechanics, fluid mechanics, stochastic process, structural mechanics, etc. Thus, a fundamental work is to find the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenfunctions of partial differential operators.

In this paper, we consider the following model problem: Find  $(\lambda, u)$  such that

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{cases} -\Delta u = \lambda u, & \text{in } \Omega, \\ u = 0, & \text{on } \partial\Omega, \\ \int_{\Omega} u^2 d\Omega = 1, \end{cases}$$

where  $\Omega$  is a polyhedral domain in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  ( $d = 2, 3$ ). For simplicity, we are only concerned with the case  $d = 2$ , while all the conclusions can be extended to  $d = 3$  trivially. The classical variational form of problem (1.1) is defined as follows: Find  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $b(u, u) = 1$  and

$$(1.2) \quad a(u, v) = \lambda b(u, v), \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(\Omega),$$

where

$$a(u, v) = (\nabla u, \nabla v) \quad \text{and} \quad b(u, v) = (u, v).$$

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It is well known that the problem (1.2) has the eigenvalue sequence [2]

$$0 < \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_j \leq \dots \rightarrow +\infty$$

with the corresponding eigenfunction sequence

$$u_1, u_2, \dots, u_j, \dots,$$

which satisfies the property  $b(u_i, u_j) = \delta_{ij}$  ( $\delta_{ij}$  denotes the Kronecker function).

The first aim of this paper is to analyze the weak Galerkin finite element method for the eigenvalue problem. We will give the corresponding error estimates for the eigenpair approximations by the weak Galerkin finite element method based on the standard theory from [2, 3].

The eigenvalue is a positive real number, and thus it is credible if we get both the upper and lower bounds. In fact, a simple combination of lower and upper bounds will present intervals to which exact eigenvalue belongs. For the Laplace eigenvalue problems, since the Rayleigh quotient and minimum-maximum principle, it is easily to obtain the upper bounds of eigenvalue by any standard conforming finite element methods [6, 26]. For the lower bounds, the computation is of high interest and generally more difficult. Influenced by the minimum-maximum principle, people try to obtain the lower bounds with the nonconforming element methods. In fact, the lower bound property of eigenvalues by nonconforming elements are observed in numerical aspects at the beginning [3, 13, 24, 25, 30, 33]. After that, a series of results make progress in this aspect, e.g., Lin and Lin [12] proved that the non-conforming  $EQ_1^{\text{rot}}$  rectangular element approximates exact eigenvalues associated with smooth eigenfunctions from below in 2006. Hu, Huang and Shen [8] gets the lower bound of Laplace eigenvalue problem by conforming linear and bilinear elements together with the mass lumping method. A general kind of expansion method, which was first proved in its full term in [31] by the similar argument in [1], is extensively used in [7, 10, 16] and the references cited therein. Another interesting way is provided in [14] and the corresponding paper cited therein.

Our work was inspired by some recent studies of lower end approximation of eigenvalues by finite element discretization for some elliptic partial differential operators [1, 7, 16, 11, 31]. One crucial technical ingredient that is needed in the analysis is some lower bound of the eigenfunction discretization error by the finite element method. The mainly challenge aspect is to design the high order elements to present the lower bound scheme. So far, the lower bound finite element methods are mainly first order nonconforming finite element methods. It is desired to design some high order numerical methods to obtain the lower bound eigenvalue approximations which is the second aim of this paper.

Recently a new class of finite element methods, called weak Galerkin (WG) finite element methods have been developed for the partial differential equations for its highly flexible and robust properties. The WG method refers to a numerical scheme for partial differential equations in which differential operators are approximated by weak forms as distributions over a set of generalized functions. It has been demonstrated that the WG method is highly flexible and robust as a numerical technique that employs discontinuous piecewise polynomials on polygonal or polyhedral finite element partitions. This thought was first proposed in [28] for a model second order elliptic problem in 2012, and further developed in [9, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 29, 32]

with other applications. In order to enforce necessary weak continuities for approximating functions, proper stabilizations are employed. The main advantages of the WG method include the finite element partition can be of polytopal type with certain regular requirements, the weak finite element space is easy to construct with any given approximation requirement and the WG schemes can be hybridized so that some unknowns associated with the interior of each element can be locally eliminated, yielding a system of linear equations involving much less number of unknowns than what it appears.

The objective of the present paper is twofold. First, we will introduce weak Galerkin method for solving the Laplacian eigenvalue problem, which has the optimal-order error estimates. Furthermore we investigate the performance of the WG methods for presenting the guaranteed lower bound approximation of the eigenvalues problem under the assumption that the global mesh-size is sufficiently small. To demonstrate the potential of WG finite element methods in solving eigenvalue problems, we will restrict ourselves to any order WG elements (even for higher order WG finite element spaces) and investigate the robustness and effectiveness of this method.

An outline of the paper is as follows. In Section 2, the necessary notations, definitions of weak functions and weak derivatives are introduced. The WG finite element scheme of the Laplace eigenvalue problem is stated. Error estimates for the boundary value problem are presented in Section 3. In Section 4, we establish the error estimates for the WG finite element approximation for the eigenvalue problem. Section 5 is devoted to presenting any higher order accuracy lower bound approximation of the eigenvalues. Some numerical results are presented in Section 6 to demonstrate the efficiency of our theoretical results and some concluding remarks are given in the last section.

## 2. The weak Galerkin scheme for the eigenvalue problem.

**2.1. Preliminaries and notations.** First, we present some notation which will be used in this paper. We denote  $(\cdot, \cdot)_{m,\omega}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_{m,\omega}$  the inner-product and the norm on  $H^m(\omega)$ . If the region  $\omega$  is an edge or boundary of some element, we use  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{m,\omega}$  instead of  $(\cdot, \cdot)_{m,\omega}$ . We shall drop the subscript when  $m = 0$  or  $\omega = \Omega$ . In this paper,  $P_r(\omega)$  denotes the space of polynomials on  $\omega$  with degree no more than  $r$ . Throughout this paper,  $C$  denotes a generic positive constant which is independent of the mesh size.

Let  $\mathcal{T}_h$  be a partition of the domain  $\Omega$ , and the elements in  $\mathcal{T}_h$  are polygons satisfying the regular assumptions specified in [29]. Denote by  $\mathcal{E}_h$  the edges in  $\mathcal{T}_h$ , and by  $\mathcal{E}_h^0$  the interior edges  $\mathcal{E}_h \setminus \partial\Omega$ . For each element  $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$ ,  $h_T$  represents the diameter of  $T$ , and  $h = \max_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T$  denotes the mesh size.

**2.2. A weak Galerkin scheme.** Now we introduce a weak Galerkin scheme solving the problem (1.1). For a given integer  $k \geq 1$ , define the Weak Galerkin (WG) finite element space

$$V_h = \{v = (v_0, v_b) : v_0|_T \in P_k(T), v_b|_e \in P_{k-1}(e), \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h, e \in \mathcal{E}_h, \text{ and } v_b = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega\}.$$

For each weak function  $v \in V_h$ , we can define its weak gradient  $\nabla_w v$  by distribution element-wisely as follows.

DEFINITION 2.1. For each  $v \in V_h$ ,  $\nabla_w v|_T$  is the unique polynomial in  $[P_{k-1}(T)]^2$  satisfying

$$(2.1) \quad (\nabla_w v, \mathbf{q})_T = -(v_0, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{q})_T + \langle v_b, \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{n} \rangle_{\partial T}, \quad \forall \mathbf{q} \in [P_{k-1}(T)]^2,$$

where  $\mathbf{n}$  denotes the outward unit normal vector.

For the aim of analysis, some projection operators are also employed in this paper. Let  $Q_0$  denote the  $L^2$  projection from  $L^2(T)$  onto  $P_k(T)$ ,  $Q_b$  denote the  $L^2$  projection from  $L^2(e)$  onto  $P_{k-1}(e)$ , and  $Q_h$  denote the  $L^2$  projection from  $[L^2(T)]^2$  onto  $[P_{k-1}(T)]^2$ . Combining  $Q_0$  and  $Q_b$  together, we can define  $Q_h = \{Q_0, Q_b\}$ , which is a projection from  $H_0^1(\Omega)$  onto  $V_h$ .

Now we define three bilinear forms on  $V_h$  that for any  $v, w \in V_h$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} s(v, w) &= \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^{-1+\varepsilon} \langle Q_b v_0 - v_b, Q_b w_0 - w_b \rangle_{\partial T}, \\ a_w(v, w) &= (\nabla_w v, \nabla_w w) + s(v, w), \\ b_w(v, w) &= (v_0, w_0), \end{aligned}$$

where  $0 \leq \varepsilon < 1$  is a small constant parameter to be selected. With these preparations we can give the following weak Galerkin algorithm.

WEAK GALERKIN ALGORITHM 1. Find  $u_h \in V_h$ ,  $\lambda_h \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $b_w(u_h, u_h) = 1$  and

$$(2.2) \quad a_w(u_h, v) = \lambda_h b_w(u_h, v), \quad \forall v \in V_h.$$

**3. Error estimates for the boundary value problem.** In order to analyze the error of the eigenvalue problem by the weak Galerkin method, we need some estimates for the boundary value problem. The main idea is similar to [27] but some modifications.

**3.1. A weak Galerkin method for the Poisson equation.** In this section, we consider the weak Galerkin method for the following Poisson equation

$$(3.1) \quad \begin{cases} -\Delta u &= f, & \text{in } \Omega, \\ u &= 0, & \text{on } \partial\Omega. \end{cases}$$

The corresponding weak Galerkin scheme is to find  $u_h \in V_h$  such that

$$(3.2) \quad a_w(u_h, v) = (f, v_0), \quad \forall v \in V_h.$$

Define a semi-norm on  $V_h$  as follows

$$\|v\|^2 = a_w(v, v), \quad \forall v \in V_h.$$

We claim that  $\|\cdot\|$  is indeed a norm on  $V_h$ . In order to check the positive property, suppose  $\|v\| = 0$ . Then we have  $\nabla_w v = 0$  in  $T$  and  $Q_b v_0 = v_b$  on  $\partial T$  for all  $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$ . It follows that

$$(\nabla v_0, \nabla v_0)_T = -(v_0, \nabla \cdot \nabla v_0)_T + \langle v_0, \nabla v_0 \cdot \mathbf{n} \rangle_{\partial T}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= -(v_0, \nabla \cdot \nabla v_0)_T + \langle v_b, \nabla v_0 \cdot \mathbf{n} \rangle_{\partial T} + \langle Q_b v_0 - v_b, \nabla v_0 \cdot \mathbf{n} \rangle_{\partial T} \\
&= (\nabla v_0, \nabla_w v)_T = 0,
\end{aligned}$$

so that  $v_0$  is piecewise constant and  $v_b = Q_b v_0 = v_0$  on  $\partial T$ . Notice that  $v_b = 0$  on  $\partial\Omega$ , we can obtain that  $v = 0$ . For the analysis, we also define another norm on  $V_h$  as

$$\|v\|_1^2 = \|\nabla_w v\|^2 + \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^{-1} \|Q_b v_0 - v_b\|_{\partial T}^2.$$

Furthermore, it is easy to check that the weak Galerkin scheme (3.2) is symmetric and positive definite, which has a unique solution.

The following commutative property plays an essential role in the forthcoming proof, which shows that the weak gradient operator is an approximation of the classical gradient operator.

LEMMA 3.1. ([27]) For any element  $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$ , the following commutative property holds true,

$$(3.3) \quad \nabla_w(Q_h \varphi) = \mathbb{Q}_h(\nabla \varphi), \quad \forall \varphi \in H^1(T).$$

*Proof.* From the definition of the weak gradient (2.1) and the integration by parts, we have that for any  $\mathbf{q} \in [P_{k-1}(T)]^2$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\nabla_w(Q_h \varphi), \mathbf{q})_T &= -(Q_0 \varphi, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{q})_T + \langle Q_b \varphi, \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{n} \rangle_{\partial T} \\
&= -(\varphi, \nabla \cdot \mathbf{q})_T + \langle \varphi, \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{n} \rangle_{\partial T} \\
&= (\nabla \varphi, \mathbf{q})_T = (\mathbb{Q}_h(\nabla \varphi), \mathbf{q})_T,
\end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

**3.2. Error equation.** Suppose  $u$  is the solution of (3.1), and  $u_h$  is the numerical solution of (3.2). Denote by  $e_h$  the error that

$$e_h = Q_h u - u_h = \{Q_0 u - u_0, Q_b u - u_b\}.$$

Then  $e_h$  should satisfy the following equation.

LEMMA 3.2. *Let  $e_h$  be the error of the weak Galerkin scheme (3.2). Then, for any  $v \in V_h$ , we have*

$$(3.4) \quad a_w(e_h, v) = \ell(u, v) + s(Q_h u, v),$$

where

$$\ell(u, v) = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \langle (\nabla u - \mathbb{Q}_h \nabla u) \cdot \mathbf{n}, v_0 - v_b \rangle_{\partial T}.$$

*Proof.* From the definition of the weak gradient (2.1) and the commutative property (3.3), we can obtain on each element  $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$  that

$$(\nabla_w Q_h u, \nabla_w v)_T = (\mathbb{Q}_h \nabla u, \nabla_w v)_T$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= -(v_0, \nabla \cdot \mathbb{Q}_h \nabla u)_T + \langle v_b, \mathbb{Q}_h(\nabla u) \cdot \mathbf{n} \rangle_{\partial T} \\
&= (\nabla v_0, \mathbb{Q}_h \nabla u)_T - \langle v_0 - v_b, \mathbb{Q}_h(\nabla u) \cdot \mathbf{n} \rangle_{\partial T} \\
&= (\nabla v_0, \nabla u)_T - \langle \mathbb{Q}_h(\nabla u) \cdot \mathbf{n}, v_0 - v_b \rangle_{\partial T}.
\end{aligned}$$

Summing over all elements and it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
(\nabla_w Q_h u, \nabla_w v) &= (\nabla v_0, \nabla u) - \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \langle \mathbb{Q}_h(\nabla u) \cdot \mathbf{n}, v_0 - v_b \rangle_{\partial T} \\
&= (f, v_0) + \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \langle \nabla u \cdot \mathbf{n}, v_0 \rangle_{\partial T} - \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \langle \mathbb{Q}_h(\nabla u) \cdot \mathbf{n}, v_0 - v_b \rangle_{\partial T} \\
&= (f, v_0) + \ell(u, v).
\end{aligned}$$

Notice that the numerical solution  $u_h$  satisfies (3.2). Then we can derive that

$$a_w(e_h, v) = \ell(u, v) + s(Q_h u, v), \quad \forall v \in V_h,$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

In order to estimate the right hand side terms of (3.4), we still need some technique tools introduced in [29].

LEMMA 3.3. ([29]) (*Trace Inequality*) Let  $\mathcal{T}_h$  be a partition of the domain  $\Omega$  into polygons in 2D or polyhedra in 3D. Assume that the partition  $\mathcal{T}_h$  satisfies the Assumptions A1, A2, and A3 as stated in [29]. Let  $p > 1$  be any real number. Then, there exists a constant  $C$  such that for any  $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$  and edge/face  $e \in \partial T$ , we have

$$(3.5) \quad \|\theta\|_{L^p(e)}^p \leq Ch_T^{-1} (\|\theta\|_{L^p(T)}^p + h_T^p \|\nabla \theta\|_{L^p(T)}^p),$$

for any  $\theta \in W^{1,p}(T)$ .

LEMMA 3.4. ([29]) (*Inverse Inequality*) Let  $\mathcal{T}_h$  be a partition of the domain  $\Omega$  into polygons or polyhedra. Assume that  $\mathcal{T}_h$  satisfies all Assumptions A1-A4 and  $p \geq 1$  be any real number. Then, there exists a constant  $C(k)$  such that

$$(3.6) \quad \|\nabla \varphi\|_{T,p} \leq C(k)h_T^{-1} \|\varphi\|_{T,p}, \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{T}_h$$

for any piecewise polynomial  $\varphi$  of degree no more than  $k$  on  $\mathcal{T}_h$ .

LEMMA 3.5. ([29]) Let  $\mathcal{T}_h$  be a finite element partition of  $\Omega$  satisfying the shape regularity assumptions specified in [29] and  $w \in H^{k+1}(\Omega)$ . Then, for  $0 \leq s \leq 1$  we have

$$(3.7) \quad \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^{2s} \|w - Q_0 w\|_{T,s}^2 \leq Ch^{2(k+1)} \|w\|_{k+1}^2,$$

$$(3.8) \quad \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^{2s} \|\nabla w - \mathbb{Q}_h(\nabla w)\|_{T,s}^2 \leq Ch^{2k} \|w\|_{k+1}^2,$$

where  $C$  denotes a generic constant independent of mesh size  $h$  and the functions in the estimates.

Suppose  $w \in H^{1+k_1}(\Omega)$  and let  $k_0 = \min\{k, k_1\}$ . With the tools above we can give the estimates for  $\ell(w, v)$  and  $s(Q_h w, v)$  as follows.

LEMMA 3.6. For each element  $T \in \mathcal{T}_h$ , we have

$$\|\nabla v_0\|_T \leq C(\|\nabla_w v\|_T + h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|Q_b v_0 - v_b\|_{\partial T}), \quad \forall v \in V_h.$$

Furthermore, there is

$$\begin{aligned} h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|v_0 - v_b\|_{\partial T} &\leq C(\|\nabla v_0\|_T + h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|Q_b v_0 - v_b\|_{\partial T}), \\ &\leq C(\|\nabla_w v\|_T + h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|Q_b v_0 - v_b\|_{\partial T}). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* From the trace inequality (3.5) and the definition of the weak gradient operator (2.1), we have following inequalities for any  $v \in V_h$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla v_0, \nabla v_0)_T &= (\nabla v_0, \nabla_w v)_T + \langle Q_b v_0 - v_b, \nabla v_0 \cdot \mathbf{n} \rangle_{\partial T}, \\ &\leq \|\nabla v_0\|_T \|\nabla_w v\|_T + h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|Q_b v_0 - v_b\|_{\partial T} h_T^{\frac{1}{2}} \|\nabla v_0\|_{\partial T} \\ &\leq \|\nabla v_0\|_T \|\nabla_w v\|_T + \|\nabla v_0\|_T h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|Q_b v_0 - v_b\|_{\partial T}, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\|\nabla v_0\|_T \leq C(\|\nabla_w v\|_T + h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|Q_b v_0 - v_b\|_{\partial T}).$$

Applying the Poincaré inequality, we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned} h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|v_0 - v_b\|_{\partial T} &\leq h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|v_0 - Q_b v_0\|_{\partial T} + h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|Q_b v_0 - v_b\|_{\partial T} \\ &\leq C(\|\nabla v_0\|_T + h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|Q_b v_0 - v_b\|_{\partial T}) \\ &\leq C(\|\nabla_w v\|_T + h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|Q_b v_0 - v_b\|_{\partial T}), \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

LEMMA 3.7. For any  $v \in V_h$  and  $w \in H^{1+k_1}(\Omega)$ , the following estimates hold true,

$$\begin{aligned} |s(Q_h w, v)| &\leq Ch^{k_0+\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}\|w\|_{k_0+1}\|v\|, \\ |\ell(w, v)| &\leq Ch^{k_0-\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}\|w\|_{k_0+1}\|v\|, \end{aligned}$$

where  $k_0 = \min\{k, k_1\}$ .

*Proof.* From the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and Lemma 3.6, we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |s(Q_h w, v)| &= \left| \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^{-1+\varepsilon} \langle Q_b Q_0 w - Q_b w, Q_b v_0 - v_b \rangle_{\partial T} \right| \\ &\leq C \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^{-1+\varepsilon} \|Q_0 w - w\|_{\partial T}^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^{-1+\varepsilon} \|Q_b v_0 - v_b\|_{\partial T}^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq Ch^{k_0+\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}\|w\|_{k_0+1}\|v\|. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, for the second term we can derive that

$$|\ell(w, v)| = \left| \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \langle (\nabla w - \mathbb{Q}_h \nabla w) \cdot \mathbf{n}, v_0 - v_b \rangle_{\partial T} \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq C \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^{1-\varepsilon} \|\nabla w - \mathbb{Q}_h \nabla w\|_{\partial T}^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^{-1+\varepsilon} \|v_0 - v_b\|_{\partial T}^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
&\leq Ch^{k_0 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}} \|w\|_{k_0+1} \|v\|,
\end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

**3.3. Error estimates.** With the error equation (3.4) and the estimates derived in Lemma 3.7, we can get the following error estimate for the weak Galerkin method.

**THEOREM 3.8.** *Assume the exact solution of (3.1),  $u \in H^{1+k_1}(\Omega)$ , and  $u_h$  is the numerical solution of the weak Galerkin scheme (3.2). Denote  $k_0 = \min\{k, k_1\}$ , then the following estimates hold true,*

$$(3.9) \quad \|Q_h u - u_h\| \leq Ch^{k_0 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}} \|u\|_{k_0+1},$$

$$(3.10) \quad \|Q_h u - u_h\|_1 \leq Ch^{k_0 - \varepsilon} \|u\|_{k_0+1}.$$

*Proof.* Taking  $v = e_h$  in (3.4) and it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
\|e_h\|^2 &= \ell(u, e_h) + s(Q_h u, e_h) \\
&\leq Ch^{k_0 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}} \|w\|_{k_0+1} \|e_h\| + Ch^{k_0 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}} \|w\|_{k_0+1} \|e_h\| \\
&\leq Ch^{k_0 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}} \|w\|_{k_0+1} \|e_h\|.
\end{aligned}$$

From the definition of  $\|\cdot\|_1$ , we can easily get that when  $h$  is small,

$$\|Q_h u - u_h\|_1 \leq Ch^{-\frac{\varepsilon}{2}} \|Q_h u - u_h\| \leq Ch^{k_0 - \varepsilon} \|u\|_{k_0+1},$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

Using a standard dual argument, which is similar to the technique applied in [27], and then we can obtain the following  $L^2(\Omega)$  error estimate.

**THEOREM 3.9.** *Assume the exact solution of (3.1),  $u \in H^{1+k_1}(\Omega)$ , and  $u_h$  is the numerical solution of the weak Galerkin scheme (3.2). In addition, assume the dual problem has  $H^2(\Omega)$ -regularity. Denote  $k_0 = \min\{k, k_1\}$ , then the following estimate holds true*

$$(3.11) \quad \|Q_0 u - u_0\| \leq Ch^{k_0+1-\varepsilon} \|u\|_{k_0+1}.$$

**4. Error estimates for the eigenvalue problem.** In this section, we turn back to the approximation of the eigenvalue problem (1.1). Denote  $V_0 = H_0^1(\Omega)$ , and define the sum space  $V = V_0 + V_h$ . Now we introduce the following semi-norm on  $V$  that

$$\|w\|_V^2 = \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \left( \|\nabla w_0\|_T^2 + h_T^{-1} \|Q_b w_0 - w_b\|_{\partial T}^2 \right).$$

We claim that  $\|\cdot\|_V$  indeed defines a norm on  $V$ . For any  $w \in V_0$ , if  $w_b$  is defined in the sense of trace, we shall show that  $\|w\|_V$  is equivalent to  $|w|_1$ , which defines a norm on  $V_0$ .

LEMMA 4.1.  $\|\cdot\|_V$  is equivalent to  $|\cdot|_1$  on  $V_0$ .

*Proof.* It is obvious that for any  $w \in V_0$ ,

$$|w|_1 \leq \|w\|_V.$$

Then we only need to show that

$$\sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^{-1} \|Q_b w - w\|_{\partial T}^2 \leq C \|\nabla w\|^2.$$

To this end, denote by  $Q_c$  the  $L^2$  projection onto  $P_0(T)$ , and it follows the trace inequality (3.5) and the Poincare's inequality that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^{-1} \|Q_b w - w\|_{\partial T}^2 &\leq \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^{-1} \|w - Q_c w\|_{\partial T}^2 \\ &\leq C \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} (h_T^{-2} \|w - Q_c w\|_T^2 + \|\nabla(w - Q_c w)\|_T^2) \\ &\leq C \|\nabla w\|^2, \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

As to the space  $V_h$ , we have the following equivalence lemma.

LEMMA 4.2. ([27]) There exists two constants  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  such that for any  $w \in V_h$ , we have

$$(4.1) \quad C_1 \|w\|_V \leq \|w\|_1 \leq C_2 \|w\|_V,$$

i.e.  $\|\cdot\|_V$  and  $\|\cdot\|_1$  are equivalent on  $V_h$ .

*Proof.* In order to prove the equivalence, we just need to verify the following inequalities that for any  $w \in V_h$ ,

$$(4.2) \quad \|\nabla w_0\|_T \leq C(\|\nabla w\|_T + h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}} \|Q_b w_0 - w_b\|_{\partial T}),$$

$$(4.3) \quad \|\nabla w\|_T \leq C(\|\nabla w_0\|_T + h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}} \|Q_b w_0 - w_b\|_{\partial T}).$$

The inequality (4.2) has been proved in Lemma 3.6. For handling the inequality (4.3), we use the definition of the weak gradient to get that

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_w w, \nabla_w w)_T &= (\nabla_w w, \nabla w_0) - \langle w_0 - w_b, \nabla_w w \cdot \mathbf{n} \rangle_{\partial T} \\ &\leq C(\|\nabla_w w\|_T \|\nabla w_0\|_T - \|\nabla_w w\|_T h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}} \|w_0 - w_b\|_{\partial T}). \end{aligned}$$

Then we can derive from Lemma 3.6 that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\nabla_w w\|_T &\leq C(\|\nabla w_0\|_T + h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}} \|w_0 - w_b\|_{\partial T}) \\ &\leq C(\|\nabla w_0\|_T + h_T^{-\frac{1}{2}} \|Q_b w_0 - w_b\|_{\partial T}), \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

Now we define two operators  $K$  and  $K_h$  as follows

$$K : L^2(\Omega) \rightarrow V_0 \text{ satisfying } a(Kf, v) = (f, v), \quad \forall v \in V_0,$$

$$K_h : L^2(\Omega) \rightarrow V_h \text{ satisfying } a_w(K_h f, v) = (f, v_0), \quad \forall v \in V_h.$$

The following lemmas show that the finite element space  $V_h$  and the discrete solution operator  $K_h$  are approximations of  $V$  and  $K$ .

LEMMA 4.3. *Suppose  $w \in V_0 \cap H^{1+k_1}(\Omega)$ , then we have*

$$\|w - Q_h w\|_V \leq Ch^{k_1} \|w\|_{k_1+1}.$$

*Proof.* From the trace inequality (3.5) and Lemma 3.5 we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|Q_h w - w\|_V \\ & \leq C \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \left( \|\nabla(Q_0 w - w)\|_T^2 + h_T^{-1} \|(Q_0 w - w) - Q_b(Q_0 w - w)\|_{\partial T}^2 \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ & \leq C \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \left( \|\nabla(Q_0 w - w)\|_T^2 + h_T^{-1} \|Q_0 w - w\|_{\partial T}^2 \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ & \leq C \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \left( \|\nabla(Q_0 w - w)\|_T^2 + h^{-1} \|Q_0 w - w\|_{\partial T}^2 \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ & \leq Ch^{k_1} \|w\|_{k_1+1}, \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

As we know, we can extend the operators  $K$  and  $K_h$  to the operators from  $L^2(\Omega)$  to  $V$  which will not change the non-zero spectrums of the operators  $K$  and  $K_h$ .

LEMMA 4.4. *The operators  $K$  and  $K_h$  have the following estimate*

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \|K_h - K\|_V = 0,$$

where  $\|\cdot\|_V$  denote the operator norm from  $V$  to  $V$ .

*Proof.* Since  $V$  is a Hilbert space, it is equivalent to verify that

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \sup_{\|f\|_V=1} \|Kf - K_h f\|_V = 0.$$

For any  $f \in V$  with  $\|f\|_V = 1$ , suppose  $u = Kf$  and  $u_h = K_h f$ . From the error estimate (3.10) and the regularity of the Poisson's equation, we have

$$\|Q_h u - u_h\|_1 \leq Ch^{1-\varepsilon} \|u\|_2 \leq Ch^{1-\varepsilon} \|f\| \leq Ch^{1-\varepsilon} \|f\|_V.$$

Then the equivalence Lemma 4.2 implies that

$$\|Q_h u - u_h\|_V \leq Ch^{1-\varepsilon} \|f\|_V.$$

Moreover, by letting  $k_1 = 1$  in Lemma 4.3 we can obtain that

$$\|u - Q_h u\|_V \leq Ch \|u\|_2 \leq Ch \|f\|_V.$$

It follows the triangle inequality that

$$\|Kf - K_h f\|_V = \|u - u_h\|_V \leq Ch^{1-\varepsilon} \|f\|_V.$$

Notice that  $0 \leq \varepsilon < 1$ , which completes the proof.  $\square$

LEMMA 4.5. *The operator  $K_h : V \mapsto V$  is compact.*

*Proof.* Denote  $\tilde{K}_h$  the restriction of  $K_h$  on  $V_h$ . Since  $V_h$  is finite dimensional,  $\tilde{K}_h$  is compact. Notice that  $(Q_0 f, v_0) = (f, v_0)$ , so  $K_h = \tilde{K}_h Q_h$ . In order to prove that  $K_h$  is compact, we just need to verify that  $Q_h$  is bounded.

For any  $w \in V_h$ ,  $Q_h w = w$ . For  $w \in V_0$ , we can conclude from Lemma 4.3 that

$$\|Q_h w\|_V \leq \|Q_h w - w\|_V + \|w\|_V \leq C\|w\|_1 + \|w\|_V \leq C\|w\|_V,$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

Now we review some notations in the spectral approximation theory. We denote by  $\sigma(K)$  the spectrum of  $K$ , and by  $\rho(K)$  the resolvent set.  $R_z(K) = (z - K)^{-1}$  represents the resolvent operator. Let  $\mu$  be a nonzero eigenvalue of  $T$  with algebraic multiplicities  $m$ . Let  $\Gamma$  be a circle in the complex plane centered at  $\mu$  which lies in  $\rho(K)$  and encloses no other points of  $\sigma(K)$ . The corresponding spectral projection is

$$E = E(\mu) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} R_z(K) dz.$$

$R(E)$  represents the range of  $E$ , which is the space of generalized eigenvectors.

For a Banach space  $X$  and its closed subspaces  $M$  and  $N$ , define the distances as follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{dist}(x, N) &= \inf_{y \in N} \|x - y\|, \quad \delta(M, N) = \sup_{\substack{x \in M, \\ \|x\|=1}} \text{dist}(x, N), \\ \hat{\delta}(M, N) &= \max\{\delta(M, N), \delta(N, M)\}. \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 4.6. *Suppose the eigenvectors of  $K$  have  $k_1$ -regularity, i.e.  $w \in H^{1+k_1}(\Omega)$ , for any  $w \in R(E)$ . Denote  $k_0 = \min\{k_1, k\}$ , then the following estimate holds true,*

$$\|K - K_h|_{R(E)}\|_V \leq Ch^{k_0-\varepsilon}.$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $w \in R(E)$  with  $\|w\|_V = 1$ . Similar to the proof of Lemma 4.4, from Theorem 3.8 we have

$$\|Q_h K w - K_h w\|_V \leq Ch^{k_0-\varepsilon} \|Tw\|_{k_0+1}.$$

From Lemma 4.3 we can obtain

$$\|Kw - Q_h K w\|_V \leq Ch^{k_0} \|Kw\|_{k_0+1},$$

which implies

$$\|Kw - K_h w\|_V \leq Ch^{k_0-\varepsilon} \|Kw\|_{k_0+1} \leq Ch^{k_0-\varepsilon} \|w\|_{k_0+1}.$$

Since  $R(E)$  is finite dimensional, there is a uniform upper bound for  $\|w\|_{k_0+1}$ , where  $w \in R(E)$  with  $\|w\|_V = 1$ , which completes the proof.  $\square$

For the symmetry of  $a(\cdot, \cdot)$  and  $a_w(\cdot, \cdot)$ ,  $K$  and  $K_h$  are self-adjoint. In addition, if we change the  $\|\cdot\|_V$  norm to  $L^2(\Omega)$  norm, all the conclusions in this section can be interpreted trivially. Then from the theory in [2, 4], we can derive the following estimates.

**THEOREM 4.7.** *Suppose  $\lambda_{j,h}$  is the  $j$ -th eigenvalue of (2.2) and  $u_{j,h}$  is the corresponding eigenvector. There exist an exact eigenvalue  $\lambda_j$  and the corresponding exact eigenfunction  $u_j$  such that the following error estimates hold*

$$(4.4) \quad |\lambda_j - \lambda_{j,h}| \leq Ch^{2k_0-2\varepsilon} \|u_j\|_{k_0+1},$$

$$(4.5) \quad \|u_j - u_{j,h}\|_V \leq Ch^{k_0-\varepsilon} \|u_j\|_{k_0+1},$$

$$(4.6) \quad \|u_j - u_{j,h}\| \leq Ch^{k_0+1-\varepsilon} \|u_j\|_{k_0+1},$$

when  $u_j \in H^{1+k_1}(\Omega)$  and  $k_0 = \min\{k_1, k\}$ .

**5. Lower bounds.** In this section, we shall demonstrate that the approximate eigenvalue  $\lambda_h$  generated by (2.2) is an asymptotic lower bound of  $\lambda$ . About the topic of lower bound of the eigenvalues, please refer to [7, 14, 16, 31] and the references cited therein. In this section, the parameter  $\varepsilon$  is required to be positive, i.e.  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ .

**LEMMA 5.1.** *Suppose  $(\lambda, u)$  is the solution of (1.2), and  $(\lambda_h, u_h)$  is the solution of (2.2). Then we have the following expansion that for any  $v \in V_h$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda - \lambda_h &= \|\nabla u - \nabla_w u\|^2 + s(u_h - v, u_h - v) - \lambda_h \|u_0 - v_0\|^2 - \lambda_h (\|u_0\|^2 - \|v_0\|^2) \\ &\quad + 2(\nabla u - \nabla_w v, \nabla_w u_h) - s(v, v). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* First, we have the following formulas

$$\begin{aligned} a(u, u) &= \|\nabla u\|^2 = \lambda \|u\|^2, \\ a_w(u_h, u_h) &= \|\nabla_w u_h\|^2 + s(u_h, u_h) = \lambda_h \|u_0\|^2, \\ \|u\| &= \|u_0\| = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Mimicking the expansion in [1] and we have the following expansion

$$\begin{aligned} &(\nabla u - \nabla_w u_h, \nabla u - \nabla_w u_h) \\ &= (\nabla u, \nabla u) + (\nabla_w u_h, \nabla_w u_h) - 2(\nabla u, \nabla_w u_h) \\ &= \lambda + \lambda_h - 2(\nabla u, \nabla_w u_h) - s(u_h, u_h) \\ &= \lambda + \lambda_h - 2(\nabla u - \nabla_w v, \nabla_w u_h) - 2(\nabla_w v, \nabla_w u_h) - s(u_h, u_h) \\ &= \lambda + \lambda_h - 2(\nabla u - \nabla_w v, \nabla_w u_h) - 2\lambda_h (u_0, v_0) + 2s(u_h, v) - s(u_h, u_h) \\ &= \lambda + \lambda_h - 2(\nabla u - \nabla_w v, \nabla_w u_h) + \lambda_h (u_0 - v_0, u_0 - v_0) - \lambda_h (u_0, u_0) - \lambda_h (v_0, v_0) \\ &\quad + 2s(u_h, v) - s(u_h, u_h) \\ &= \lambda - \lambda_h - 2(\nabla u - \nabla_w v, \nabla_w u_h) + \lambda_h (u_0 - v_0, u_0 - v_0) + \lambda_h ((u_0, u_0) - (v_0, v_0)) \\ &\quad + 2s(u_h, v) - s(u_h, u_h). \end{aligned}$$

Rearranging the above formula and it follows that

$$\lambda - \lambda_h = \|\nabla u - \nabla_w u\|^2 + s(u_h - v, u_h - v) - \lambda_h \|u_0 - v_0\|^2 - \lambda_h (\|u_0\|^2 - \|v_0\|^2)$$

$$+2(\nabla u - \nabla_w v, \nabla_w u_h) - s(v, v),$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

LEMMA 5.2. ([11]) The following lower bound for the convergence rate holds for the exact eigenfunction  $u$  of the eigenvalue problem (1.2)

$$\|\nabla u - \mathbb{Q}_h \nabla u\| \geq Ch^{2k}.$$

THEOREM 5.3. Let  $\lambda_j$  and  $\lambda_{j,h}$  be the  $j$ -th exact eigenvalue and its corresponding weak Galerkin numerical approximation. Assume the corresponding eigenvector  $u \in H^{1+k_1}(\Omega)$ . Denote  $k_0 = \min\{k, k_1\}$ . Then if the mesh size  $h$  is small enough, there exists a constant  $C$  such that

$$0 \leq \lambda_j - \lambda_{j,h} \leq Ch^{2k_0-2\varepsilon} \|u\|_{k_0+1}.$$

*Proof.* Take  $v = Q_h u$  in Lemma 5.1. From the commutative property in Lemma 3.3, there is

$$\nabla_w v = \mathbb{Q}_h \nabla u,$$

and it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda - \lambda_h &= \|\nabla u - \nabla_w u\|^2 + s(u_h - v, u_h - v) - \lambda_h \|u_0 - v_0\|^2 - \lambda_h (\|u_0\|^2 - \|v_0\|^2) \\ &\quad + 2(\nabla u - \nabla_w v, \nabla_w u_h) - s(v, v) \\ &= \|\nabla u - \mathbb{Q}_h \nabla u\|^2 + \|Q_h u - u_h\|^2 - \lambda_h \|Q_0 u - u_0\|^2 - \lambda_h (\|u_0\|^2 - \|Q_0 u\|^2) \\ &\quad + 2(\nabla u - \mathbb{Q}_h \nabla u, \nabla_w u_h) - s(Q_h u, Q_h u). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\nabla_w u_h \in [P_{k-1}(T)]^2$ , we can obtain

$$(\nabla u - \mathbb{Q}_h \nabla u, \nabla_w u_h) = 0.$$

From the error estimate (4.5) and (4.6), we have

$$\|Q_h u - u_h\|^2 \leq \|Q_h u - u_h\|_V^2 \leq Ch^{2k_0-2\varepsilon} \|u\|_{k_0+1}$$

and

$$\|Q_0 u - u_0\|^2 \leq Ch^{2k_0+2-2\varepsilon} \|u\|_{k_0+1}.$$

Also, it follows the property of projection in Lemma 3.5 that

$$\begin{aligned} \|Q_0 u - u_0\|^2 &= (u_0 + Q_0 u, u_0 - Q_0 u) \\ &= ((u - u_0) + (u - Q_0 u), (u - u_0) - (u - Q_0 u)) \\ &= \|u - u_0\|^2 - \|u - Q_0 u\|^2 \\ &\leq Ch^{2k_0+2-2\varepsilon} \|u\|_{k_0+1}, \\ s(Q_h u, Q_h u) &= \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^{1+\varepsilon} \|Q_b Q_0 u - Q_b u\|_{\partial T}^2 \end{aligned}$$

TABLE 6.1  
Convergence rates for  $\varepsilon = 0.1$  and  $k = 1$ .

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\lambda_1 - \lambda_{1,h}$	4.6914e+0	1.5050e+0	4.2473e-1	1.1518e-1	3.0896e-2	8.2640e-3
order		1.6403	1.8251	1.8826	1.8984	1.9025
$\lambda_2 - \lambda_{2,h}$	2.2610e+1	8.8734e+0	2.7033e+0	7.4857e-1	2.0152e-1	5.3843e-2
order		1.3494	1.7147	1.8525	1.8932	1.9041
$\lambda_3 - \lambda_{3,h}$	4.4453e+1	1.9725e+1	6.3969e+0	1.8123e+0	4.9211e-1	1.3206e-1
order		1.1722	1.6246	1.8196	1.8808	1.8977
$\lambda_4 - \lambda_{4,h}$	6.4193e+1	3.1210e+1	1.0638e+1	3.0563e+0	8.3024e-1	2.2206e-1
order		1.0404	1.5528	1.7993	1.8802	1.9026

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} h_T^{1+\varepsilon} \|Q_0 u - u\|_{\partial T}^2 \\ &\leq Ch^{2k_0+\varepsilon} \|u\|_{k_0+1}. \end{aligned}$$

From Lemma 5.2, we know the terms  $\lambda_h \|u_0 - Q_0 u\|^2$ ,  $\lambda_h (\|u_0\|^2 - \|Q_0 u\|^2)$ ,  $(\nabla u - \mathbb{Q}_h \nabla u, \nabla_w u_h)$ , and  $s(Q_h u, Q_h u)$  are of higher order than  $\|\nabla u - \mathbb{Q}_h \nabla u\|^2$ , so that

$$Ch^{2k_0} \|u\|_{k_0+1} \leq \|Q_h u - u_h\|^2 + \|\nabla u - \mathbb{Q}_h \nabla u\|^2 \leq Ch^{2k_0-2\varepsilon} \|u\|_{k_0+1}$$

is the dominant term, which completes the proof.  $\square$

REMARK 5.1. *In the next section, the numerical results show that the convergence rates in fact tend to  $2k_0 - \varepsilon$ . On the other hand, the numerical eigenvalue  $\lambda_h$  is still a lower bound even if  $\varepsilon = 0$ .*

**6. Numerical Experiments.** In this section, we shall present some numerical results for the weak Galerkin method analyzed in the previous sections.

**6.1. Unit square domain.** In the first example, we consider the problem (1.1) on the square domain  $\Omega = (0, 1)^2$ . It has the analytic solution

$$\lambda = (m^2 + n^2)\pi^2, \quad u = \sin(m\pi x) \sin(n\pi y),$$

where  $m, n$  are arbitrary integers. The first four eigenvalues are  $\lambda_1 = 2\pi^2$ ,  $\lambda_2 = 5\pi^2$ ,  $\lambda_3 = 8\pi^2$  and  $\lambda_4 = 10\pi^2$ , where  $\lambda_2$  and  $\lambda_4$  have 2 algebraic and geometric multiplicities.

The uniform mesh is applied in the following examples, and  $h$  denote the mesh size. Different choices of the parameter  $\varepsilon$  and the degree of polynomial  $k$  are presented. The corresponding numerical results for the first four eigenvalues are showed in Tables 6.1-6.6. From these tables, we can find the weak Galerkin method can also give the reasonable numerical approximations. Furthermore, the choice of  $\varepsilon$  can really affect the convergence order which means the convergence results in Theorem 4.7 are also reasonable. The numerical results included in Tables 6.1-6.6 shows the eigenvalue approximation  $\lambda_{j,h}$  is a lower bound of the exact eigenvalue  $\lambda_j$ . Tables 6.7-6.12 shows the convergence behavior of the eigenfunction approximations which reveal the convergence results in Theorem 4.7.

TABLE 6.2  
*Convergence rates for  $\varepsilon = 0.05$  and  $k = 1$ .*

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\lambda_1 - \lambda_{1,h}$	4.5174e+0	1.3948e+0	3.7944e-1	9.9389e-2	2.5770e-2	6.6642e-3
order		1.6955	1.8781	1.9327	1.9474	1.9512
$\lambda_2 - \lambda_{2,h}$	2.2044e+1	8.3229e+0	2.4379e+0	6.5153e-1	1.6962e-1	4.3857e-2
order		1.4052	1.7714	1.9037	1.9415	1.9514
$\lambda_3 - \lambda_{3,h}$	4.3486e+1	1.8531e+1	5.7514e+0	1.5674e+0	4.1076e-1	1.0652e-1
order		1.2306	1.6880	1.8756	1.9320	1.9471
$\lambda_4 - \lambda_{4,h}$	6.3226e+1	2.9650e+1	9.6842e+0	2.6795e+0	7.0366e-1	1.8219e-1
order		1.0925	1.6143	1.8537	1.9290	1.9494

TABLE 6.3  
*Convergence rates for  $\varepsilon = 0$  and  $k = 1$ .*

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\lambda_1 - \lambda_{1,h}$	4.3486e+0	1.2926e+0	3.3916e-1	8.5854e-2	2.1531e-2	5.3870e-3
order		1.7503	1.9302	1.9820	1.9955	1.9989
$\lambda_2 - \lambda_{2,h}$	2.1485e+1	7.8051e+0	2.2003e+0	5.6820e-1	1.4323e-1	3.5882e-2
order		1.4608	1.8267	1.9532	1.9881	1.9970
$\lambda_3 - \lambda_{3,h}$	4.2518e+1	1.7394e+1	5.1703e+0	1.3566e+0	3.4342e-1	8.6124e-2
order		1.2895	1.7503	1.9302	1.9820	1.9955
$\lambda_4 - \lambda_{4,h}$	6.2257e+1	2.8157e+1	8.8226e+0	2.3548e+0	5.9881e-1	1.5035e-1
order		1.1447	1.6742	1.9056	1.9754	1.9938

TABLE 6.4  
*Convergence rates for  $\varepsilon = 0.1$  and  $k = 2$ .*

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\lambda_1 - \lambda_{1,h}$	2.2414e-1	1.4066e-2	9.2552e-4	6.1762e-5	4.1371e-6	2.7718e-7
order		3.9941	3.9259	3.9055	3.9000	3.8997
$\lambda_2 - \lambda_{2,h}$	3.4702e+0	1.9914e-1	1.2641e-2	8.3435e-4	5.5667e-5	3.7246e-6
order		4.1232	3.9776	3.9213	3.9058	3.9016
$\lambda_3 - \lambda_{3,h}$	1.5809e+1	9.7847e-1	6.0649e-2	3.9786e-3	2.6525e-4	1.7761e-5
order		4.0141	4.0120	3.9302	3.9068	3.9006
$\lambda_4 - \lambda_{4,h}$	2.7771e+1	2.0077e+0	1.2222e-1	7.9478e-3	5.2797e-4	3.5281e-5
order		3.7900	4.0380	3.9428	3.9120	3.9035

TABLE 6.5  
*Convergence rates for  $\varepsilon = 0.05$  and  $k = 2$ .*

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\lambda_1 - \lambda_{1,h}$	2.1062e-1	1.2818e-2	8.1597e-4	5.2613e-5	3.4037e-6	2.2032e-7
order		4.0384	3.9735	3.9550	3.9503	3.9494
$\lambda_2 - \lambda_{2,h}$	3.2288e+0	1.8086e-1	1.1158e-2	7.1301e-4	4.5989e-5	2.9733e-6
order		4.1580	4.0188	3.9680	3.9546	3.9511
$\lambda_3 - \lambda_{3,h}$	1.4735e+1	8.8125e-1	5.3250e-2	3.3846e-3	2.1813e-4	1.4109e-5
order		4.0635	4.0487	3.9757	3.9557	3.9505
$\lambda_4 - \lambda_{4,h}$	2.6186e+1	1.8074e+0	1.0753e-1	6.7866e-3	4.3622e-4	2.8175e-5
order		3.8568	4.0711	3.9859	3.9596	3.9525

TABLE 6.6  
Convergence rates for  $\varepsilon = 0$  and  $k = 2$ .

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\lambda_1 - \lambda_{1,h}$	1.9798e-1	1.1680e-2	7.1897e-4	4.4770e-5	2.7957e-6	1.7471e-7
order		4.0833	4.0219	4.0053	4.0012	4.0002
$\lambda_2 - \lambda_{2,h}$	3.0076e+0	1.6440e-1	9.8518e-3	6.0934e-4	3.7989e-5	2.3730e-6
order		4.1933	4.0606	4.0151	4.0036	4.0008
$\lambda_3 - \lambda_{3,h}$	1.3731e+1	7.9457e-1	4.6751e-2	2.8767e-3	1.7911e-4	1.1184e-5
order		4.1111	4.0871	4.0225	4.0055	4.0013
$\lambda_4 - \lambda_{4,h}$	2.4673e+1	1.6299e+0	9.4683e-2	5.7963e-3	3.6040e-4	2.2497e-5
order		3.9201	4.1056	4.0299	4.0075	4.0018

TABLE 6.7  
Convergence rates for  $\varepsilon = 0.1$  and  $k = 1$ .

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\ Q_h u_1 - u_{1,h}\ $	2.1026e+0	1.1328e+0	5.9471e-1	3.1002e-1	1.6128e-1	8.3847e-2
order	0.0000	0.8923	0.9296	0.9398	0.9427	0.9438
$\ Q_h u_1 - u_{1,h}\ $	2.4300e-1	6.7500e-2	1.8371e-2	4.9711e-3	1.3428e-3	3.6248e-4
order	0.0000	1.8480	1.8775	1.8858	1.8883	1.8893
$\ Q_h u_2 - u_{2,h}\ $	4.1174e+0	2.6638e+0	1.4918e+0	7.9139e-1	4.1310e-1	2.1467e-1
order	0.0000	0.6283	0.8364	0.9146	0.9379	0.9444
$\ Q_h u_2 - u_{2,h}\ $	2.0401e-1	5.0309e-2	1.2723e-2	3.2491e-3	8.3336e-4	2.1441e-4
order	0.0000	2.0198	1.9833	1.9694	1.9630	1.9586
$\ Q_h u_3 - u_{3,h}\ $	4.1174e+0	2.6638e+0	1.4918e+0	7.9139e-1	4.1310e-1	2.1467e-1
order	0.0000	0.6283	0.8364	0.9146	0.9379	0.9444
$\ Q_h u_3 - u_{3,h}\ $	2.0401e-1	5.0309e-2	1.2723e-2	3.2491e-3	8.3336e-4	2.1441e-4
order	0.0000	2.0198	1.9833	1.9694	1.9630	1.9586
$\ Q_h u_4 - u_{4,h}\ $	8.7353e+0	4.3751e+0	2.3571e+0	1.2372e+0	6.4476e-1	3.3534e-1
order	0.0000	0.9975	0.8923	0.9300	0.9402	0.9431
$\ Q_h u_4 - u_{4,h}\ $	1.1748e+0	2.6252e-1	7.2940e-2	1.9847e-2	5.3688e-3	1.4497e-3
order	0.0000	2.1620	1.8477	1.8778	1.8863	1.8888
$\ Q_h u_5 - u_{5,h}\ $	7.6747e+0	4.9834e+0	2.9631e+0	1.6029e+0	8.4057e-1	4.3693e-1
order	0.0000	0.6230	0.7500	0.8864	0.9313	0.9440
$\ Q_h u_5 - u_{5,h}\ $	7.4542e-1	1.1915e-1	2.9679e-2	7.5124e-3	1.9132e-3	4.8882e-4
order	0.0000	2.6453	2.0053	1.9821	1.9733	1.9686
$\ Q_h u_6 - u_{6,h}\ $	6.9213e+0	4.9834e+0	2.9631e+0	1.6029e+0	8.4057e-1	4.3693e-1
order	0.0000	0.4739	0.7500	0.8864	0.9313	0.9440
$\ Q_h u_6 - u_{6,h}\ $	4.8677e-1	1.1915e-1	2.9679e-2	7.5124e-3	1.9132e-3	4.8882e-4
order	0.0000	2.0304	2.0053	1.9821	1.9733	1.9686

**6.2. L shape domain.** Now we consider the eigenvalue problem (1.1) on the L shape domain  $\Omega = (-1, 1)^2 \setminus (0, 1)^2$ .

We also use the weak Galerkin method to solve this eigenvalue problem and Table 6.13-6.18 presents the corresponding numerical results for the first six eigenvalues. Even the analytic eigenpairs is not known, from these tables, we can find the numerical eigenvalues  $\lambda_{j,h}$  increases when  $h$  decreases which shows that  $\lambda_{j,h}$  is a lower bound of

TABLE 6.8  
*Convergence rates for  $\varepsilon = 0.05$  and  $k = 1$ .*

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\ Q_h u_1 - u_{1,h}\ $	2.0408e+0	1.0776e+0	5.5472e-1	2.8361e-1	1.4474e-1	7.3831e-2
order		0.9213	0.9580	0.9678	0.9704	0.9712
$\ Q_h u_1 - u_{1,h}\ $	2.2929e-1	6.1245e-2	1.6035e-2	4.1758e-3	1.0858e-3	2.8224e-4
order		1.9045	1.9333	1.9411	1.9432	1.9438
$\ Q_h u_2 - u_{2,h}\ $	4.0525e+0	2.5606e+0	1.4016e+0	7.2851e-1	3.7309e-1	1.9031e-1
order		0.6623	0.8693	0.9441	0.9654	0.9711
$\ Q_h u_2 - u_{2,h}\ $	2.0213e-1	4.9226e-2	1.2287e-2	3.0925e-3	7.8035e-4	1.9713e-4
order		2.0378	2.0023	1.9903	1.9866	1.9850
$\ Q_h u_3 - u_{3,h}\ $	4.0525e+0	2.5606e+0	1.4016e+0	7.2851e-1	3.7309e-1	1.9031e-1
order		0.6623	0.8693	0.9441	0.9654	0.9711
$\ Q_h u_3 - u_{3,h}\ $	2.0213e-1	4.9226e-2	1.2287e-2	3.0925e-3	7.8035e-4	1.9713e-4
order		2.0378	2.0023	1.9903	1.9866	1.9850
$\ Q_h u_4 - u_{4,h}\ $	7.4014e+0	4.1637e+0	2.1988e+0	1.1318e+0	5.7863e-1	2.9528e-1
order		0.8299	0.9211	0.9581	0.9679	0.9705
$\ Q_h u_4 - u_{4,h}\ $	8.7222e-1	2.3834e-1	6.3677e-2	1.6672e-2	4.3413e-3	1.1288e-3
order		1.8717	1.9042	1.9333	1.9412	1.9433
$\ Q_h u_5 - u_{5,h}\ $	6.8886e+0	4.8293e+0	2.8003e+0	1.4825e+0	7.6263e-1	3.8924e-1
order		0.5124	0.7862	0.9176	0.9590	0.9703
$\ Q_h u_5 - u_{5,h}\ $	4.9173e-1	1.1747e-1	2.8947e-2	7.2442e-3	1.8217e-3	4.5881e-4
order		2.0656	2.0208	1.9985	1.9916	1.9893
$\ Q_h u_6 - u_{6,h}\ $	6.8882e+0	4.8293e+0	2.8003e+0	1.4825e+0	7.6263e-1	3.8924e-1
order		0.5123	0.7862	0.9176	0.9590	0.9703
$\ Q_h u_6 - u_{6,h}\ $	4.9159e-1	1.1747e-1	2.8947e-2	7.2442e-3	1.8217e-3	4.5881e-4
order		2.0652	2.0208	1.9985	1.9916	1.9893

the exact eigenvalue  $\lambda_j$ .

**7. Concluding remarks.** In this paper, we apply the weak Galerkin method to solve the eigenvalue problems and the corresponding convergence analysis is also given. Furthermore, we also analyze the lower-bound property of the weak Galerkin method. **Compared with the classical nonconforming finite element method which can provide lower bound approximation by linear element with only the second order convergence, the weak Galerkin method can provide lower bound approximation with a high order convergence (larger than 2).**

In the future, it is required to design the efficient solver for the algebraic eigenvalue problems derived by the weak Galerkin method.

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TABLE 6.9  
Convergence rates for  $\varepsilon = 0$  and  $k = 1$ .

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\ Q_h u_1 - u_{1,h}\ $	1.9806e+0	1.0247e+0	5.1693e-1	2.5905e-1	1.2960e-1	6.4808e-2
order		0.9508	0.9871	0.9967	0.9992	0.9998
$\ Q_h u_1 - u_{1,h}\ $	2.1635e-1	5.5551e-2	1.3986e-2	3.5027e-3	8.7607e-4	2.1904e-4
order		1.9615	1.9898	1.9974	1.9994	1.9998
$\ Q_h u_2 - u_{2,h}\ $	3.9877e+0	2.4601e+0	1.3162e+0	6.7019e-1	3.3666e-1	1.6852e-1
order		0.6968	0.9024	0.9737	0.9933	0.9983
$\ Q_h u_2 - u_{2,h}\ $	2.0039e-1	4.8309e-2	1.1944e-2	2.9773e-3	7.4379e-4	1.8591e-4
order		2.0524	2.0160	2.0042	2.0011	2.0003
$\ Q_h u_3 - u_{3,h}\ $	3.9877e+0	2.4601e+0	1.3162e+0	6.7019e-1	3.3666e-1	1.6852e-1
order		0.6968	0.9024	0.9737	0.9933	0.9983
$\ Q_h u_3 - u_{3,h}\ $	2.0039e-1	4.8309e-2	1.1944e-2	2.9773e-3	7.4379e-4	1.8591e-4
order		2.0524	2.0160	2.0042	2.0011	2.0003
$\ Q_h u_4 - u_{4,h}\ $	1.2992e+1	3.9612e+0	2.0494e+0	1.0339e+0	5.1810e-1	2.5920e-1
order		1.7136	0.9508	0.9871	0.9967	0.9992
$\ Q_h u_4 - u_{4,h}\ $	1.9731e+0	2.1635e-1	5.5551e-2	1.3986e-2	3.5027e-3	8.7607e-4
order		3.1890	1.9615	1.9898	1.9974	1.9994
$\ Q_h u_5 - u_{5,h}\ $	6.8652e+0	4.6781e+0	2.6456e+0	1.3710e+0	6.9191e-1	3.4677e-1
order		0.5534	0.8223	0.9484	0.9865	0.9966
$\ Q_h u_5 - u_{5,h}\ $	4.9983e-1	1.1603e-1	2.8373e-2	7.0491e-3	1.7595e-3	4.3969e-4
order		2.1069	2.0319	2.0090	2.0023	2.0006
$\ Q_h u_6 - u_{6,h}\ $	8.5941e+0	4.6781e+0	2.6456e+0	1.3710e+0	6.9191e-1	3.4677e-1
order		0.8774	0.8223	0.9484	0.9865	0.9966
$\ Q_h u_6 - u_{6,h}\ $	9.9163e-1	1.1603e-1	2.8373e-2	7.0491e-3	1.7595e-3	4.3969e-4
order		3.0953	2.0319	2.0090	2.0023	2.0006

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TABLE 6.10  
*Convergence rates for  $\varepsilon = 0.1$  and  $k = 2$ .*

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\ Q_h u_1 - u_{1,h}\ $	4.1653e-1	1.0911e-1	2.8410e-2	7.3891e-3	1.9213e-3	4.9944e-4
order		1.9327	1.9413	1.9429	1.9433	1.9437
$\ Q_h u_1 - u_{1,h}\ $	8.5534e-2	1.0676e-2	1.4001e-3	1.8702e-4	2.5108e-5	3.3748e-6
order		3.0021	2.9308	2.9043	2.8970	2.8953
$\ Q_h u_2 - u_{2,h}\ $	1.5575e+0	4.3076e-1	1.1323e-1	2.9496e-2	7.6668e-3	1.9916e-3
order		1.8543	1.9277	1.9406	1.9438	1.9447
$\ Q_h u_2 - u_{2,h}\ $	3.2591e-1	4.1406e-2	5.2583e-3	6.9630e-4	9.3495e-5	1.2600e-5
order		2.9766	2.9772	2.9168	2.8967	2.8914
$\ Q_h u_3 - u_{3,h}\ $	1.7381e+0	4.4628e-1	1.1430e-1	2.9567e-2	7.6714e-3	1.9919e-3
order		1.9615	1.9651	1.9508	1.9464	1.9453
$\ Q_h u_3 - u_{3,h}\ $	3.5920e-1	4.5291e-2	5.7680e-3	7.6165e-4	1.0170e-4	1.3623e-5
order		2.9875	2.9731	2.9209	2.9047	2.9003
$\ Q_h u_4 - u_{4,h}\ $	3.1633e+0	8.8821e-1	2.2815e-1	5.9192e-2	1.5378e-2	3.9962e-3
order		1.8324	1.9609	1.9465	1.9446	1.9441
$\ Q_h u_4 - u_{4,h}\ $	6.6471e-1	9.6376e-2	1.1636e-2	1.5123e-3	2.0146e-4	2.7020e-5
order		2.7860	3.0501	2.9438	2.9082	2.8984
$\ Q_h u_5 - u_{5,h}\ $	3.3748e+0	1.2150e+0	3.2184e-1	8.4035e-2	2.1843e-2	5.6714e-3
order		1.4738	1.9166	1.9373	1.9438	1.9454
$\ Q_h u_5 - u_{5,h}\ $	6.5236e-1	1.1991e-1	1.4765e-2	1.9227e-3	2.5710e-4	3.4647e-5
order		2.4437	3.0217	2.9410	2.9027	2.8915
$\ Q_h u_6 - u_{6,h}\ $	4.2203e+0	1.3252e+0	3.2987e-1	8.4571e-2	2.1878e-2	5.6737e-3
order		1.6711	2.0063	1.9637	1.9507	1.9471
$\ Q_h u_6 - u_{6,h}\ $	7.2192e-1	1.3575e-1	1.6679e-2	2.1691e-3	2.8817e-4	3.8522e-5
order		2.4109	3.0248	2.9429	2.9121	2.9032

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TABLE 6.11  
*Convergence rates for  $\varepsilon = 0.05$  and  $k = 2$ .*

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\ Q_h u_1 - u_{1,h}\ $	4.0028e-1	1.0330e-1	2.6433e-2	6.7483e-3	1.7218e-3	4.3922e-4
order		1.9542	1.9664	1.9698	1.9706	1.9709
$\ Q_h u_1 - u_{1,h}\ $	7.9910e-2	9.6767e-3	1.2274e-3	1.5829e-4	2.0503e-5	2.6586e-6
order		3.0458	2.9789	2.9550	2.9486	2.9471
$\ Q_h u_2 - u_{2,h}\ $	1.4826e+0	4.0594e-1	1.0531e-1	2.6977e-2	6.8859e-3	1.7561e-3
order		1.8688	1.9466	1.9649	1.9700	1.9713
$\ Q_h u_2 - u_{2,h}\ $	2.9953e-1	3.7029e-2	4.5641e-3	5.8360e-4	7.5522e-5	9.8044e-6
order		3.0160	3.0203	2.9673	2.9500	2.9454
$\ Q_h u_3 - u_{3,h}\ $	1.6545e+0	4.2057e-1	1.0631e-1	2.7041e-2	6.8900e-3	1.7563e-3
order		1.9760	1.9840	1.9751	1.9726	1.9719
$\ Q_h u_3 - u_{3,h}\ $	3.3275e-1	4.0902e-2	5.0762e-3	6.4953e-4	8.3845e-5	1.0847e-5
order		3.0242	3.0104	2.9663	2.9536	2.9504
$\ Q_h u_4 - u_{4,h}\ $	3.0151e+0	8.3014e-1	2.1137e-1	5.3984e-2	1.3775e-2	3.5138e-3
order		1.8608	1.9736	1.9692	1.9705	1.9709
$\ Q_h u_4 - u_{4,h}\ $	6.2435e-1	8.5941e-2	1.0140e-2	1.2774e-3	1.6440e-4	2.1281e-5
order		2.8609	3.0833	2.9888	2.9579	2.9496
$\ Q_h u_5 - u_{5,h}\ $	3.2512e+0	1.1345e+0	2.9867e-1	7.6888e-2	1.9646e-2	5.0100e-3
order		1.5189	1.9255	1.9577	1.9685	1.9713
$\ Q_h u_5 - u_{5,h}\ $	6.0052e-1	1.0549e-1	1.2715e-2	1.6035e-3	2.0673e-4	2.6825e-5
order		2.5090	3.0525	2.9873	2.9554	2.9461
$\ Q_h u_6 - u_{6,h}\ $	4.0657e+0	1.2374e+0	3.0612e-1	7.7378e-2	1.9678e-2	5.0120e-3
order		1.7162	2.0152	1.9841	1.9754	1.9731
$\ Q_h u_6 - u_{6,h}\ $	6.8404e-1	1.2118e-1	1.4639e-2	1.8523e-3	2.3824e-4	3.0778e-5
order		2.4969	3.0493	2.9824	2.9588	2.9525

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TABLE 6.12  
*Convergence rates for  $\varepsilon = 0$  and  $k = 2$ .*

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\ Q_h u_1 - u_{1,h}\ $	3.8476e-1	9.7751e-2	2.4561e-2	6.1490e-3	1.5379e-3	3.8452e-4
order		1.9768	1.9927	1.9980	1.9994	1.9998
$\ Q_h u_1 - u_{1,h}\ $	7.4702e-2	8.7708e-3	1.0752e-3	1.3375e-4	1.6701e-5	2.0872e-6
order		3.0904	3.0281	3.0070	3.0015	3.0003
$\ Q_h u_2 - u_{2,h}\ $	1.4123e+0	3.8267e-1	9.7879e-2	2.4631e-2	6.1684e-3	1.5428e-3
order		1.8839	1.9670	1.9906	1.9975	1.9993
$\ Q_h u_2 - u_{2,h}\ $	2.7564e-1	3.3148e-2	3.9609e-3	4.8855e-4	6.0870e-5	7.6034e-6
order		3.0558	3.0650	3.0192	3.0047	3.0010
$\ Q_h u_3 - u_{3,h}\ $	1.5761e+0	3.9645e-1	9.8807e-2	2.4690e-2	6.1721e-3	1.5431e-3
order		1.9911	2.0045	2.0007	2.0001	2.0000
$\ Q_h u_3 - u_{3,h}\ $	3.0857e-1	3.6994e-2	4.4723e-3	5.5453e-4	6.9212e-5	8.6507e-6
order		3.0603	3.0482	3.0117	3.0022	3.0001
$\ Q_h u_4 - u_{4,h}\ $	2.8709e+0	7.7652e-1	1.9567e-1	4.9133e-2	1.2299e-2	3.0759e-3
order		1.8864	1.9886	1.9937	1.9981	1.9995
$\ Q_h u_4 - u_{4,h}\ $	5.8517e-1	7.6776e-2	8.8369e-3	1.0776e-3	1.3385e-4	1.6705e-5
order		2.9301	3.1190	3.0358	3.0091	3.0022
$\ Q_h u_5 - u_{5,h}\ $	3.1281e+0	1.0609e+0	2.7714e-1	7.0267e-2	1.7634e-2	4.4131e-3
order		1.5600	1.9366	1.9797	1.9945	1.9985
$\ Q_h u_5 - u_{5,h}\ $	5.5149e-1	9.3075e-2	1.0962e-2	1.3372e-3	1.6608e-4	2.0730e-5
order		2.5669	3.0858	3.0352	3.0093	3.0021
$\ Q_h u_6 - u_{6,h}\ $	3.9117e+0	1.1571e+0	2.8405e-1	7.0715e-2	1.7663e-2	4.4148e-3
order		1.7573	2.0263	2.0061	2.0013	2.0003
$\ Q_h u_6 - u_{6,h}\ $	6.4688e-1	1.0852e-1	1.2881e-2	1.5861e-3	1.9765e-4	2.4697e-5
order		2.5756	3.0746	3.0217	3.0044	3.0005

TABLE 6.13  
*Discrete eigenvalues for  $\varepsilon = 0.1$  and  $k = 1$ .*

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\lambda_{1,h}$	8.0444	9.1197	9.4787	9.5893	9.6234	9.6343
$\lambda_{2,h}$	12.1745	14.2566	14.9345	15.1263	15.1782	15.1922
$\lambda_{3,h}$	15.0478	18.2342	19.3145	19.6240	19.7083	19.7309
$\lambda_{4,h}$	19.7958	26.1541	28.5461	29.2554	29.4501	29.5024
$\lambda_{5,h}$	20.2283	27.6970	30.6403	31.5476	31.8078	31.8819
$\lambda_{6,h}$	23.7850	34.6725	39.3995	40.8900	41.3124	41.4292

TABLE 6.14  
*Discrete eigenvalues for  $\varepsilon = 0.05$  and  $k = 1$ .*

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\lambda_{1,h}$	8.0934	9.1472	9.4896	9.5931	9.6247	9.6346
$\lambda_{2,h}$	12.2877	14.3238	14.9615	15.1356	15.1813	15.1931
$\lambda_{3,h}$	15.2218	18.3444	19.3598	19.6398	19.7134	19.7325
$\lambda_{4,h}$	20.1002	26.3819	28.6452	29.2905	29.4615	29.5060
$\lambda_{5,h}$	20.5464	27.9527	30.7545	31.5885	31.8212	31.8861
$\lambda_{6,h}$	24.2289	35.0750	39.5886	40.9586	41.3349	41.4363

TABLE 6.15  
*Discrete eigenvalues for  $\varepsilon = 0$  and  $k = 1$ .*

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\lambda_{1,h}$	8.1405	9.1725	9.4992	9.5963	9.6257	9.6349
$\lambda_{2,h}$	12.3971	14.3860	14.9856	15.1437	15.1838	15.1939
$\lambda_{3,h}$	15.3906	18.4466	19.4000	19.6534	19.7177	19.7338
$\lambda_{4,h}$	20.3977	26.5942	28.7336	29.3206	29.4710	29.5088
$\lambda_{5,h}$	20.8576	28.1912	30.8564	31.6235	31.8322	31.8894
$\lambda_{6,h}$	24.6655	35.4522	39.7576	41.0175	41.3535	41.4419

TABLE 6.16  
*Discrete eigenvalues for  $\varepsilon = 0.1$  and  $k = 2$ .*

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\lambda_{1,h}$	9.5538	9.6152	9.6306	9.6362	9.6383	9.6392
$\lambda_{2,h}$	15.0957	15.1903	15.1967	15.1972	15.1972	15.1973
$\lambda_{3,h}$	19.5148	19.7251	19.7383	19.7391	19.7392	19.7392
$\lambda_{4,h}$	28.7653	29.4755	29.5185	29.5213	29.5215	29.5215
$\lambda_{5,h}$	30.6553	31.7870	31.8860	31.9036	31.9091	31.9113
$\lambda_{6,h}$	39.0485	41.2933	41.4490	41.4674	41.4719	41.4735

TABLE 6.17  
*Discrete eigenvalues for  $\varepsilon = 0.05$  and  $k = 2$ .*

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\lambda_{1,h}$	9.5555	9.6155	9.6307	9.6362	9.6383	9.6392
$\lambda_{2,h}$	15.1012	15.1908	15.1968	15.1972	15.1972	15.1973
$\lambda_{3,h}$	19.5283	19.7264	19.7384	19.7392	19.7392	19.7392
$\lambda_{4,h}$	28.8132	29.4796	29.5188	29.5213	29.5215	29.5215
$\lambda_{5,h}$	30.7260	31.7934	31.8867	31.9037	31.9092	31.9113
$\lambda_{6,h}$	39.2028	41.3060	41.4501	41.4675	41.4719	41.4735

TABLE 6.18  
*Discrete eigenvalues for  $\varepsilon = 0$  and  $k = 2$ .*

$h$	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128
$\lambda_{1,h}$	9.5571	9.6157	9.6308	9.6362	9.6383	9.6392
$\lambda_{2,h}$	15.1064	15.1913	15.1968	15.1972	15.1972	15.1973
$\lambda_{3,h}$	19.5410	19.7275	19.7385	19.7392	19.7392	19.7392
$\lambda_{4,h}$	28.8577	29.4833	29.5191	29.5213	29.5215	29.5215
$\lambda_{5,h}$	30.7916	31.7993	31.8873	31.9038	31.9092	31.9113
$\lambda_{6,h}$	39.3450	41.3176	41.4512	41.4676	41.4719	41.4735